

and Women's Ski Teams; Kristine Lilly—Professional Soccer; Chuck Mitrano—Empire 8 Commissioner; Jamie Moyer—Professional Baseball; Michael Phelps—Swimming; Christine Plonsky—Athletics Director, University of Texas; Chanda Rubin—Tennis; and Lynn Schweizer—Associate Director of Athletics, Denison University.

I urge my colleagues to join me in celebrating National Sportsmanship Day, and I hope that continued recognition will help our country become more active, ethical, and team-oriented. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

TRIBUTE TO SYDNEY ELIZABETH ROGERS

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 2, 2004

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to inform the House of yet another magnificent event that has taken place in my family.

On August 31, 2003, my youngest son John and his wife Tracy gave birth to their second daughter. Sydney Elizabeth Rogers weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces and was 20 inches long. Sydney is a happy, healthy baby girl and has brought much joy to our family. Her grandmothers, Cynthia Rogers and JoAnn Walker, and I are all too happy to shower Sydney with love and affection.

At a time when the world is filled with much uncertainty and turmoil, my announcement of this beautiful baby girl is a welcome breath of fresh air. As the Congress works to make America a better, safer place to live, I will be certain to keep precious little Sydney in mind.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and all of our colleagues join me in wishing all the best to Sydney Elizabeth Rogers.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF JULIAN ROTHBAUM

HON. BRAD CARSON

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 2, 2004

Mr. CARSON of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, in September of 2003 Oklahoma lost one of its greatest public servants, Julian Rothbaum. Although Mr. Rothbaum was a successful oilman, he was perhaps best known for his work in education and politics. A close confidant of Speaker of the House Carl Albert, Mr. Rothbaum worked diligently to support and advance education and provided advice and counsel to many including many of Oklahoma's most influential public servants.

Born October 3, 1913, in Hartshorne, a small town in Southeastern Oklahoma, Mr. Rothbaum spent his life in service to his state and his country. After graduating from Hartshorne High School in 1932 as the President of his senior class, he went on to the University of Oklahoma, where he earned a bachelors degree in 1936, a law degree in 1938, and where he served as president of the student body. At OU, Mr. Rothbaum received his commission in ROTC and served his Country as a field artillery officer in World

War II. After the war, he returned to Oklahoma City where he began working as an attorney. He relocated to Tulsa in 1946 when he was named the first Director of the Tulsa District of the Federal Housing Administration. Mr. Rothbaum was the youngest FHA Director in the United States at the time.

Following his work With the FHA Mr. Rothbaum owned and operated a mortgage banking company, and in 1953 served as president of the Oklahoma Mortgage Banking Association. Shortly thereafter Mr. Rothbaum joined the Francis Oil and Gas Company and worked his way to chairman of the board. However, Mr. Rothbaum was not only successful in the business world and consistently devoted a great deal of time and energy to the people of Oklahoma through his work in education and politics.

Widely regarded as one of Oklahoma's most generous philanthropists, Mr. Rothbaum had a huge heart and was known to write hundreds of personal notes of thanks, congratulations, and encouragement while serving on the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents. His life-long support of and dedication to education was illustrated in many ways, including his two terms on the OU Board of Regents, one term on the State Board of Regents for Higher Education, and as Special Advisor on Higher Education.

As a tribute to his good friend Carl Albert, Mr. Rothbaum created and endowed a scholarship in Albert's name at every school the Speaker attended in his life, including McAlester High School, the University of Oklahoma, and Oxford University. Mr. Rothbaum also created and endowed many other awards as a way of supporting, encouraging, and strengthening education, at institutions including OU, Hartshorne High School, Carl Albert State College, and Central State University. These awards recognize a wide variety of accomplishments in many fields. He also initiated the Rothbaum Lecture Series on economics, education, and government at Eastern Oklahoma State College in Wilburton.

For all of his hard work and dedication to the people of Oklahoma, Mr. Rothbaum was presented for induction into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame by his good friend Speaker Albert in 1986. Mr. Rothbaum also received many other awards and accolades throughout his life, and, though he was grateful for each, he always preferred to give rather than to receive.

In addition to his work with education, Mr. Rothbaum also served as an ardent supporter and advisor to many in Oklahoma politics, including Speaker Albert, former Governors George Nigh, David Boren, and David Walters, and many more. His interest in politics was grounded in the belief that the government should help people and that in order to make a better world, good competent people should be involved in politics. He believed in promise and possibility and lived his life as a shining example to all those whose lives he touched.

On a more personal note, Mr. Rothbaum was also a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. Preceded in death in 1996 by Irene, his wife of 47 years, Mr. Rothbaum is survived by a daughter, Sue McCoy, of San Jose, California; a son, Joel Jankowsky, of Washington, DC; five grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. In all aspects of his life Mr. Rothbaum is remembered by everyone who knew him as a warm,

kind, generous, caring and down-to-earth person who genuinely wanted to make this world, his country, and his state a better place to live.

In commemoration of his life, his works and his impact on the people of Oklahoma, Governor Brad Henry dedicated September 29, 2003, as Julian Rothbaum Day. The State of Oklahoma has had no greater benefactor than Julian Rothbaum.

He believed in the promise of our State and, most of all, in the importance of education to improve Oklahoma. He had such love for public service and no person had a greater impact behind the scenes on Oklahoma politics than did Julian. His life and legacy has and will continue to touch people in many ways. The State of Oklahoma is poorer for his passing.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO PHYLLIS BRANDS HUMBERT

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 2, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness that I rise today to pay tribute to the memory of Phyllis Brands Humbert who passed away recently at age eighty-five. Phyllis did much for her Walden, Colorado community as a rancher, schoolteacher, and member of many charitable organizations. As her family mourns her loss, I believe it is appropriate to remember Phyllis and pay tribute to a remarkable woman.

Phyllis embraced the pioneering spirit of Colorado, growing up on her family's historic ranch in Higo, Colorado. Phyllis and her late husband Dick started their own ranch, Humbert Ranches, Inc. in 1948, and it is still in the family today. Phyllis also pursued a career as a schoolteacher, and spent many years enriching the lives of her students at Gould, Rangely, and Craig high schools. In more recent years, Phyllis devoted much of her time to a number of charitable organizations in her community, including the IOOF, VFW Auxiliary, and the Rebekah Assembly of Colorado where she served as president in 1986.

Mr. Speaker, it is always difficult when a beloved member of the community passes away. Fortunately, those who knew Phyllis will have fond memories of her generosity and good nature. I am honored to bring the memory of Phyllis Humbert to the attention of this Congress and this nation.

HONORING THE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION (AIR ASSAULT) ON ITS RETURN FROM OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

HON. JIM COOPER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 2, 2004

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the heroes of the Army's 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault). This famous division needs little introduction. Brave members of the "Screaming Eagle" division have fought for their country in countless towns and cities in